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STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL DIVISION COMPLETES INITIAL FORMOSAN TERMITE SURVEY

On August 13th and 14th the Structural Pest Control Division assembled a team of people in Forest City, North Carolina to attempt to identify how far Formosan termites had spread in Rutherford County. In addition to Division inspectors, Dr.'s Mike Waldvogel and Ed Vargo of North Carolina State University, employees of the Plant Industry Division and Pesticide Section and volunteers from Go-Forth Services and Thompson Bros. Ext. Co. participated in the survey. In all, 23 people in teams of two or three inspectors searched over seven miles along and adjacent to an abandoned rail line from Rutherfordton through Forest City.

A total of 17 infestations were located, most in trees, stumps or railroad ties. Although the termites have spread almost seven miles along the railroad tracks, no additional infested structures were identified and only one of the locations was more than 100 feet from the railroad. Termite specimens were collected from each of the sites for identification and genetic analysis.

Once the identifications and other analyses are complete, the Division will publish the information on its website. The Division plans to update the map over time to provide accurate and complete information for PCOs and homeowners concerning the location and spread of Formosan termites in North Carolina.

In order that we publish the most complete and accurate information possible the Division asks that any PCO who believes they have found Formosan termites notify that Division immediately so we can collect specimens and locate the infestation on the map.

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NEW MAILING ADDRESS FOR THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL DIVISION

Effective August 31, 2003 the post office will no longer deliver to **ANY** state government building. All state government agencies will be using the Mail Service Center. As a result of this change, the Structural Pest Control Division now has a new mailing address. Our new mailing address is:

N.C. Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
Structural Pest Control Division
1001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1001

Please begin using this new mailing address immediately! Do not use our old P.O. Box address any longer! Our physical address of 2 West Edenton Street, Raleigh, N.C., 27601 can still be used for UPS, Fed Ex, or similar deliveries. Our fax number (919-733-0633) and phone number (919-733-6100) remain the same. Your cooperation in using this new mailing address is a must in order for us to receive your mail in a timely manner.

COMING EVENTS

October

October 13, 2003 8:30 AM
Registered Technician School
Guilford County Agricultural Center
3309 Burlington Road
Greensboro, N.C.
(919) 733-6100

October 14, 2003 9:30 AM

License/Certified Applicator Exam McKimmon Center Corner of Gorman & Western Blvd. Raleigh, N.C. (919)-733-6100

October 28, 2003 8:30 AM
Registered Technician School
NCDA Building, Room 359
2 West Edenton Street
Raleigh, N.C.
(919) 733-6100

October 30, 2003 1:00 PM
Certified Applicator Exam
Mountain Horticultural Research &
Extension Center
2016 Fanning Bridge Rd.
Fletcher, N.C.
(919) 733-6100

November

November 4, 2003 9:30 AM License/Certified Applicator Exam McKimmon Center Corner of Gorman & Western Blvd. Raleigh, N.C. (919) 733-6100

November 6, 2003 8:30 AM

Registered Technician School Mecklenburg County Extension Service Building 700 North Tryon Street Charlotte, N.C. (919) 733-6100

November 6, 2003 9:00 AM

Structural Pest Control Committee Meeting Board Room-359 2 West Edenton St. Raleigh, N.C. (919) 733-6100 November 18, 2003 8:30 AM
Registered Technician School
New Hanover County Extension Service Building
6202 Oleander Drive
Wilmington, N.C.
(919) 733-6100

November 20, 2003 1:00 PM
Certified Applicator Exam
Senator Bob Martin Agricultural
Extension Center
2900 Highway 125 South
Williamston, N.C.
(919) 733-6100

December

December 2, 2003 9:30 AM License/Certified Applicator Exam McKimmon Center Corner of Gorman & Western Blvd. Raleigh, N.C. (919) 733-6100

December 9, 2003 8:30 AM

Registered Technician School NCDA Building Room 359 2 West Edenton Street Raleigh, N.C. (919) 733-6100

December 17, 2003 8:30 AM

Registered Technician School Henderson County Extension Building 740 Glover Street Hendersonville, N.C. (919) 733-6100

December 18, 2003 1:00 PM

Certified Applicator Exam
Mecklenburg County Extension Building
700 North Tryon Street
Charlotte, N.C.
(919) 733-6100



OCTOBER

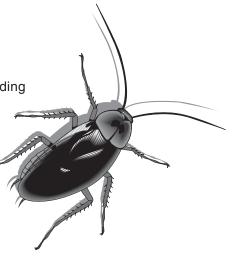
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AUGUST 21, 2003 STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING FORMAL HEARING AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS CONTINUED

The N.C. Structural Pest Control Committee approved four settlement agreements and two final decisions for violations of state structural pest control laws at its recent meeting. The committee did not make a decision on a request by the N.C. Pest Control Association to change a policy concerning the Wood Destroying Insect Report, but did decide to move ahead with rule changes concerning pre-construction termite treatments.

The following settlement agreements were approved:

STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL DIVISION EMPLOYEE NEWS

Ken Martin has joined our staff as a field inspector. Mr. Martin is responsible for 7 counties in the southeastern area of the state. Mr. Martin's territory includes Robeson, Hoke, Cumberland, Harnett, Johnston, Wayne and Lenoir Counties. Mr. Martin is a graduate of Virginia Tech University and served as an officer in the United States Army. He also was previously employed as a consultant with the Cornell Cooperative Extension Service, and has 12 years of experience in the pest control industry in New York and North Carolina.

- 1. James C. Stogner of Termitech South of Charlotte agreed to pay \$4,000 if he does not comply with conditions agreed upon by the committee. This stems from an investigation by the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Structural Pest Control Division that found Stogner was advertising that Termitech had grown to more than 40 branches. Under state law, a licensee can only have two offices other than his home office. As part of the conditions, the fine will be suspended if Stogner changes his advertising, dissolves those corporations formed under the Termitech name, puts all employees on his payroll and routes all telephone calls and facsimiles through one central number at Termitech South.
- 2. Michael A. Rogers of Killingsworth Environmental in Indian Trail denied wrongdoing, but agreed to provide training for employees and maintain records of training after it was found that an employee working for him was not registered and was not taking necessary precautions when applying pesticides. Ronald Linhares of Killingsworth Environmental agreed to pay \$400 for not following the label instructions when applying a pesticide. The fine will be suspended if Linhares successfully completes a correspondence structural pest control training course within 12 months.
- 3. Bill Stell of Surety Exterminating Company in Raleigh agreed to install a bait system at no charge for a consumer, and to keep up the system at the rate she originally contracted. The original treatment was not properly done because the pest control operator thought he could apply the termiticide in a way which would not affect the homeowner's allergies or her plants.

The board also finalized two decisions made after a formal hearing in May. David M. Groves and Harry Maxey, both of Terminix of North Carolina in Wilmington, were assessed civil penalties of \$800 and \$1,600 respectively for

violations of the state's structural pest control laws.

During the hearing, the committee found that Groves violated the following: Using methods or materials not reasonably suited for the purpose contracted, failing to supervise the employees working under his license, and failing to make records available for inspection when requested by NCDA&CS inspectors.

Maxey was found to have violated the following: using methods or materials not reasonably suited for the purpose contracted, using a pesticide in a manner inconsistent with its labeling, and failing to make records available for inspection when requested by NCDA&CS inspectors.

The committee scheduled the next meeting for Thursday, Nov. 6.

SPCD WFBSITF SUGGESTIONS

We would like your suggestions on improving our Web-site. If you have comments or ideas, please share them with us. Send your comments to:

Victor.Lennon@ncmail.net

UNLICENSED PEST CONTROL OPERATOR CHARGED

On August 26, 2003 Mr. Charles L. Kemp of 165 Tesh St., Mt. Airy, NC appeared before Judge Kyle Austin in the District Court in Watauga County. Mr. Kemp was charged for engaging in Structural Pest Control without a valid North Carolina Structural Pest Control License. North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services Structural Pest Control Division inspector investigated a report that Mr. Kemp had treated a property in Boone, NC for Powder Post Beetles, other insects, and rodents. Mr. Kemp was found guilty and was sentenced to 30 days in jail, this sentence was suspended and he was placed on 24-month unsupervised probation. Mr. Kemp was ordered to pay \$600.00 in restitution to the property owner, \$100.00 court cost and Mr. Kemp was further ordered, not to practice any structural pest control without being licensed to do so. Mr. Kemp was also ordered not to violate any laws of any jurisdiction.

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